

Alternative. The Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty II (START II) requires deactivation of the Peacekeeper Missile System. Deactivation will only occur if the Treaty is ratified by Russia and entered into force. As modified by the Helsinki Agreement, the Treaty requires complete dismantlement by December

31, 2007. In order to meet the Treaty deadline, deactivation could start as early as October 2000.

Public scoping meetings are planned in the towns of Cheyenne, Wheatland, and Torrington, Wyoming. The purpose of these meetings is to determine the scope of issues to be addressed and to

help identify significant environmental issues to be analyzed in depth. Notice of the times and locations of the meetings will be made available to the community using the local news media. The schedule for the scoping meetings is as follows:

Date	Location	Time
June 28, 1999	East High School, 2800 E. Pershing Blvd., Cheyenne, WY ...	6:30–9:30 p.m.
June 29, 1999	Wheatland High School, 1207 13th Street, Wheatland, WY ...	6:30–9:30 p.m.
June 30, 1999	Torrington High School, 23rd Ave & West C, Torrington, WY	6:30–9:30 p.m.

In addition to seeking public input on environmental issues and concerns at the scoping meetings, the Air Force is soliciting written comments regarding the EIS scope. To ensure the Air Force will have sufficient time to fully consider public inputs on issues, written comments should be mailed for receipt no later than August 2, 1999.

Please direct written comments or requests for further information concerning the Peacekeeper system deactivation/dismantlement EIS to: Mr. Jonathan D. Farthing, HQ AFCEE/ECA 3207 North Road, Brooks AFB, TX 78235–5363, (210) 536–3787.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation Policy; Proposed Subsequent Arrangement

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Subsequent arrangement.

SUMMARY: The Department is providing notice of a proposed “subsequent arrangement” under the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of Canada Concerning the Civil Uses of Atomic Energy and the Agreement for Cooperation Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Republic of Korea Concerning Civil Uses of Atomic Energy. This notice is being issued under the authority of Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2160).

The subsequent arrangement RTD/CA(KO)–1 concerns the return of 8,431 grams of CANFLEX Fuel Bundle of which 6,747 grams consists of 111.7 grams of the isotope U–235 (1.64 percent enrichment) and the remaining 1,684 grams consists of 33.3 grams of

the isotope U–235 (1.98 percent enrichment). Included in this return is 5,153 grams of enriched sintered UO₂ pellets of which 3,965 grams consists of 65 grams of the isotope U–235 (1.64 percent enrichment) and the remaining 1,188 grams consists of 23.5 grams of the isotope U–235 (1.98 percent enrichment). The material is being returned to Canada from the Republic of Korea to be irradiated for performance test in NRU reactor in Canada as part of a Joint Canada/Korea fuel development program. This will be the first of a series of returns to Canada until the total amount of material originally transferred to the Republic of Korea to be incorporated into CANFLEX fuel bundles is returned to AECL. The original retransfer was implemented September 1998 and is documented as RTD/KO(CA)–7.

In accordance with Section 131 of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, we have determined that this subsequent arrangement will not be inimical to the common defense and security.

This subsequent arrangement will take effect no sooner than June 28, 1999.

Dated: June 7, 1999.

For the Department of Energy.

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Deputy Director, International Policy and Analysis Division, Office of Arms Control and Nonproliferation.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Floodplain and Wetlands Involvement; Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of floodplain and wetlands involvement.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is proposing to construct, operate and monitor, and eventually close a geologic repository for the disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada. As part of its proposal, DOE is considering shipping spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste in the State of Nevada over a rail line that would be constructed or over an existing highway route that may need upgrading to accommodate heavy-haul trucks. Portions of the rail corridor or highway route would cross perennial and ephemeral streams and their associated floodplains, as well as possible wetlands. Furthermore, portions of the transportation system in the immediate vicinity of the proposed repository would be located within the 100-year floodplains of Midway Valley Wash, Drillhole Wash, Busted Butte Wash and/or Fortymile Wash. No other aspect of repository-related operations or nuclear or nonnuclear repository facilities would be located within the 500-year or 100-year floodplains of these washes. In accordance with DOE regulations for Compliance with Floodplain/Wetlands Environmental Review Requirements (10 CFR Part 1022), DOE will prepare a floodplain and wetlands assessment commensurate with proposed decisions and available information. The assessment will be included in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for a Geologic Repository for the Disposal of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste at Yucca Mountain, Nye County, Nevada. A draft of this EIS is scheduled to be published during the summer of 1999.

DATES: The public is invited to comment on this notice on or before July 1, 1999. Comments received after this date will be considered to the extent practicable.

ADDRESSES: Comments on this notice should be addressed to Ms. Wendy Dixon, EIS Project Manager, Yucca Mountain Site Characterization Office,